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Column One
By David Courtney

THE long and short of the Convention signed yesterday between the West German Federal Government and the Western Occupying Powers are known to hardly anybody and probably not to the signatories. They represent a mystery that may spawn good or bad, nobody knows; with the chances of monstrous bad at least equal to those of good. The third Soviet note recommending a four-power conference to work out plans for a unified Germany is not much clearer in motive than the Convention itself: a wicked motive, say those for whom no good can come out of Moscow; a motive worth testing, say those whose anxieties are articulate; a noble motive, say those for whom no good can come out of Washington.

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NO doubt we shall find out all about both in time. We do not live and learn but we do suffer grievously the unlearned lessons of history. Alongside the grand assumptions of yesterday's ceremony at Bonn, Panmunjom seems small beer: of that, too, there is much we don't know and more that we are not told. But if we drop our gaze from the rippling flags of the Convention we may detect the thread — or is it fuse? — that connects the Bonn occasion with the occasion of Panmunjom. For if it is true that Moscow can bring about a Korean armistice by the mere snapping of her fingers in the face of Peking, it may also be true that the Bonn ceremony, which snaps contemptuous fingers in the face of Moscow, can expel from Panmunjom whatever Communist goodwill there may be. The global theory applies against us as well as for us.

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THERE comes a time in international conflicts when moral and even political rights and wrongs are put aside even by the best of men to give place to the compulsions of what nowadays is called realism — that is, to the need to save one's own life and limb, one's children and family hearth. When that time comes there is no room for argument about the respective priorities of welfare and armament. It has to be armament, armies, battle. We are still mercifully some distance from that time and choice. But those who fear that the Bonn event may have shortened the distance have as much reason, and quite as much evidence, on their side as have those who believe it has lengthened the distance. At any rate, henceforth will come mounting tension all the way from Bonn to Panmunjom. That may be unavoidable. That may be a risk the West has taken open-eyed and in full preparedness, knowing that between East and West there can be no peaceable accord which is not backed by arms; that is to say, that as long as Soviet Russia exists in its present ideological form there can be no peace that is not an armed peace.

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WITH that prospect ahead it is probably quite reasonable and even desirable to arm the West Germans and the Japanese as well. Miserably, it is thought to be sensible and desirable for reasons apart from the calculations of the strategists. The House of Commons debated German rearmament the other day and Mr. Eden, answering the Opposition critics, said plainly and simply that British industry could not afford to let German industry escape the handicap of rearmament; for, if it did, Germany would absorb British markets and in no time there would be dwindling profits and expanding unemployed in Britain. It is a sad argument but no sadder than that of the Conservative M.P. who declared that the success of the Panmunjom talks would mean a disastrous trade recession in the West. These things we do know. These things we are told. They are probably as much as a stupefied public opinion needs to know.

Tel Aviv, May 27.

De Gasperi Bloc Leads in Italian Local Elections

ROME, Monday (AP). — Premier Alcide de Gasperi's Democratic Bloc took the lead over Communists and neo-Fascists in the first returns tonight from Rome's hard-fought city election.

Unofficial returns from 136 of 1,555 ballot boxes gave these results.

Christian Democrats, Republicans, Liberals and anti-Communist Socialists (centre democratic bloc): 37,980.

Communist-Socialist citizens' ticket: 21,000.

Neo-Fascist-Monarchist bloc: 18,410.

A record vote jammed ballot boxes in the key cities of Rome and Naples last night.

A total of 938,033 Romans, 82.92 per cent of the electorate, ballotted in the two-day voting, or about 38,000 more than on April 1948, when Premier Alcide de Gasperi Christian Democrats defeated a Communist bid for power in the national parliamentary elections.

In Naples, the total vote was 518,939, or about 23,000 more than in 1948. The Naples total represent 83.80 per cent of the electorate.

Changes at Army Headquarters

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Changes in the Army General Headquarters were announced by the Chief of Staff, Rav Aluf Yigael Yadin, to military correspondents here today.

Aluf Ephraim Ben Artzi, the Quartermaster-General, has been granted leave without pay for an unlimited period, and the post has been filled by Aluf Zvi Ayalon, who is succeeded as head of the Central Command by Aluf Yosef Avidar. Aluf Moshe Dayan, who recently returned from a military course in Great Britain, has received the Northern Command in place of Aluf Avidar. Aluf Ben Artzi will remain in the Army. The changes have been approved by the Minister of Defence.

Aluf Mordecai Makleff, Deputy Chief of Staff, is expected to resume his duties by the end of July. He is abroad at present, for military studies. Until Aluf Makleff's return, the Chief of Staff will continue to carry out the duties of Chief of the Staff Branch, which normally would be performed by his deputy.

Rav Aluf Yadin also told correspondents that the Army had prepared a draft for the Pensions Law, which would be presented to the Knesset in due course.

The Army is starting a "save fuel" campaign, he added.

Cabinet Hears Joseph's Report

A report on Dr. Dov Joseph's activities in the U.S. occupied yesterday's special Cabinet meeting in Jerusalem. The report of the Minister of Commerce and Industry was to have been heard at the regular meeting on Sunday but was put off because of lack of time.

The Minister is understood to have told the Cabinet of the considerable difficulties — of formal, technical and political character — which beset the release of the final $25m. from the U.S. grant. These difficulties grew out of the fact that most of the released funds had to be used for repaying debts. Since such repayment was not in accordance with the original specifications of the grant-in-aid, a proper legal and technical formula had to be devised to permit the transfer of funds from certain allocations to others.

The $20m. which Dr. Joseph obtained in addition to the U.S. grant came from Jewish sources, the larger portion, it is understood, from organizations which sped up the transfer of funds earmarked for Israel. The remainder is understood to have come from Jewish financial circles which made the money available in loans.

The sums obtained enabled Dr. Joseph to pay off the urgent debts and to secure a six-month supply of essential food imports.

Abbey Simon Will Play in Haifa

The young American pianist took the musical public by storm in his debut in Tel Aviv. The programme, which included Bach, Schuman, Chopin, Ravel, Prokofieff and Rachmaninoff, was played by ABBEY SIMON with outstanding technique and artistic feeling. Music lovers in Haifa will be able to hear this great interpreter on May 29 at the "Orah" in the first performance of the subscription concerts for Members of Binyaney Ha'ooma. Tickets available for Members and others at the office of the Binyaney Ha'ooma at 41 Ha'atzmauth Road, Tel. 2065, Haifa. (Advt.)

Canada Objects To Her Troops on Koje

OTTOWA, Monday (AP). — Canada has complained to Washington that a Canadian paratroops company was sent to the riotous prison camp on Koje Island without previous Canadian approval, it was disclosed today.

Mr. Lester Pearson, External Affairs Minister, said his Government has "expressed displeasure" to the U.S. State Department.

Suez Blockade Queried in Commons

LONDON, Monday (INA). — Asked by Mr. Georg Jeger, M.P. (Labour) in the House of Commons today whether the Egyptian Government was now allowing British tankers to pass through the Suez Canal, Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd replied that "large numbers of British tankers have been and are still passing through the Canal. I presume therefore that the question refers to tankers passing through the Canal destined for Haifa.

"As far as I am aware the situation in this respect has not changed since the Foreign Secretary's reply in the House on January 30."

Recalls Eden's Demand

Pressing his question further Mr. Jeger asked: "Is there nothing being done to force the passage of these tankers through to Haifa. Is the Minister not aware that the Foreign Secretary, when he was in the Opposition, demanded resolute action and even said he would force them through with the protection of the Royal Navy. Is nothing being done to implement these promises made by Mr. Eden when he was in the opposition?"

In reply the Minister said "it would not be correct for the Government to take unilateral action to secure implementation by Egypt of the Security Council's resolution of September 1 1951.

Iran Signs Oil Deal With U.S. Firm

TEHERAN, Monday—Iran announced today that it signed a five-year contract to sell three million tons of oil a year to an unnamed U.S. firm — about 16 per cent of production under Anglo-Iranian management. This quantity will reportedly include considerable aviation gasoline.

Foreign observers here believe that the move would at least temporarily strengthen the position of Premier Mossadegh.

Attlee Requests White Paper On Koje Incidents

LONDON, Monday (UP). — Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said in the Commons today that the trouble in the Korean prisoner of war camps would not have happened if the British had been in control of the camps. He requested the Government issue a White Paper on the situation in the camps.

Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd, answering in the absence of Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, said he would consider issuing the White Paper.

The Government faced a barrage of questions about Korea, especially from Labour rank and file, critical because Britain does not have more say in Korea. The criticism, with its implied and open distrust of U.S. conduct, has become increasingly frequent in the Commons.

Mr. Lloyd admitted Britain had no part in the orders issued to troops on Koje Island since she had placed her troops in Korea under U.N. Command. But he said the Government was "quite satisfied" that the screening of prisoners was conducted properly as far as those who wished not to be repatriated is concerned. "So far as the 70,000 who wish to be repatriated it is not as satisfactory," he said.

KOJE ISLAND, Monday (Reuter). — Koje prison authorities today released previously secret information of a "bloody month" of rioting last year in which violent Communist leaders fought for and gained political control of 80,000 prisoners of war on this island.

The prisoners themselves, in pitched battles behind barbed wire, killed 37. Numbers whose total could not be estimated accurately received death sentences or punishment from "people's courts" within the compounds, officers said.

U.S. security guards attempting to break up a riot killed one North Korean prisoner.

Koje Island authorities kept a strict security ban on the rioting which started during the critical early stage of the Panmunjom armistice negotiations last September. Officers said today that two main outbreaks occurred during nearly 30 days of skirmishing by organized Chinese and North Korean officers and troops in prisoner compounds. Nineteen Communist prisoners were killed in a riot behind the barbed wire of Compound 78 on September 18. U.S. and South Korean guards reported that Communist prisoners used spears made from tent poles and stones.

The following day, September 19, in Compound 85 another Communist-led riot broke out and following "punishments" by Communist courts, guard officers reported 15 prisoners dead.

Allies, Germans Conclude Peace Contract; E.D.C. Treaty Today

KNESSET PROTESTS PACT

By Moshe Brilliant, POST Parliamentary Correspondent

The Knesset rose for five minutes last night to protest the action by the Great Powers which is leading to the re-armament of Germany and her restoration to the family of nations. The demonstration in the House was occasioned by the signature of the Peace Agreement between the Bonn Government and in Western Powers yesterday but the protest, as formulated by the praesidium of the Knesset, criticised the policies of both the Soviet Union and the Western Bloc on the German question.

In a statement read by the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Benyamin Mintz, the praesidium recalled the appeal to the Parliaments of the World, transmitted by the First Knesset on January 10, 1951, against plans to re-arm Germany and added that "no response was received either from the East, which proposed uniting Germany and arming her, or from the West, which signed an agreement for the liberation of Germany and arming her."

The Knesset demonstration was arranged after Mapam pressed for action in protest against the Western pact with Germany. After the meeting was opened yesterday afternoon by the Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, Mr. Itzhak Ben Aharon (Mapam) asked for the floor. Mr. Sprinzak asked for a note explaining the purpose. Later, after receiving the note, Mr. Sprinzak said the question could be raised at the evening session and that the praesidium would then reply. What the note referred to was not made public at the time.

The Knesset praesidium went into conference at 7 o'clock when the first session adjourned, but had not reached a decision by 8.15 when the evening session was to have opened. It was only toward 9 o'clock when they reached an agreement, and the House reassembled. Mr. Mintz was then in the chair.

After Dr. Joseph had wound up the debate on amendments to the Interpretations Ordinance, Mr. Mintz then called upon the Mapam spokesman.

Mr. Ben Aharon objected that the praesidium permitted him only to raise a question without going into the merits of the case and said: "Today, May 26, 1952, sovereignty was restored by the Western States to the heirs of the German Nazis and the last barrier was removed to the rearmament of Germany. I ask the praesidium and the House: would it not suit the responsibility of the Knesset to the Jewish people and to world peace to interrupt

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CONCRETE BONN OFFER TO ISRAEL

BONN, Monday (Reuter).— The West German Government has informally made a concrete offer to Israel of compensation for the crimes of the Nazis, an authoritative source said here today.

Professor Franz Boehm, who last week withdrew his resignation as leader of West Germany's delegation for negotiations with Israel, held a secret meeting in Paris a few days ago with Israeli representatives. The source said the Israel reaction appeared "most favourable."

Germans Freed Of £700m. Debt to West

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Monday. — The German treaty, among other things, wipes out £700m. worth of obligations incurred by the Federal Republic since the end of the war through assistance obtained from the West, principally the U.S.

This provision, together with last-minute Allied concessions over the German defence contribution, substantially improves Germany's ability to settle its remaining debts, in the opinion of competent quarters here. This refers both to commercial debts, whose settlement is designed to re-establish Germany's financial credit, and such moral obligations as those to Israel.

Restitution to Nazi victims in Europe has been written into the treaty but this does not cover Israel's claims. It is believed, nonetheless, that the German-Jewish negotiations will now be easier.

An important consideration is probably the length of the ratification period, pending which Germany cannot raise military forces, and therefore need not spend more on defence. This constitutes a substantial saving in the current financial year, which should ease the Bonn's position and encourage greater readiness to meet other obligations.

BONN PLEDGES 12 DIVISIONS

BONN, Monday. — The U.S., Britain and France today signed conventions with West Germany under which 48 million Western Germans — enemies of the Allies in World War II — get back most of their sovereignty. In turn the Germans pledge to rearm and provide 12 divisions totalling 300,000 men to serve in the six-nation European Army.

It was a sober occasion. There was no rejoicing in Western Germany. Provincial Governments in the Bonn Republic refused to make this a holiday in celebration of the signing. The powerful German Social Democratic Party boycotted the proceedings.

The agreements, styled "Conventions on relations between the three powers and the Federal Republic of Germany," cleared the way for the Federal Republic to put men, munitions and money into the Western defence system. It was ceremonially signed by U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson, British Foreign Secretary Eden, French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer at a 45-minute ceremony in the Bundeshaus (Upper House Chamber).

Following the signing all four Ministers flew off to Paris for the next step — to enroll West Germany on paper as a military partner in the European Defence Community.

Financial Contribution

Germany's financial contribution to Western defence will be 10,200m. marks for the coming year. She will also give 12 divisions, a tactical air force of several thousand aircraft and coastal navy forces — 300,000 men in all.

This will be done through the six-nation European Defence Community treaty. Limitations on German rearmament do not appear in the contractual agreements. They form part of the E.D.C. treaty under which arms orders are given to members of the E.D.C. at the discretion of the Ministerial Council.

The public showed little enthusiasm for the occasion. Only about 200 people turned out in Bonn to watch notables arrive at the Parliament.

Newspapers of all political shades commented with cautious reserve, most appearing doubtful of the eventual outcome. Several predicted the pact would be rejected by the West German and French Parliaments.

Many papers expressed the hope that a four-power conference will attempt to reach agreement with Russia before the contract is ratified and put into effect.

Socialists Rap Treaty

The official news service of the Social Democratic opposition party today said the signing of the Allied-German treaty was "a black day for Germany."

The German people had no reason to jubilate. The signing made more difficult the reunification of Germany and widened the gap between Germany and 18 million East Germans.

The service quoting authoritative Social Democratic quarters, said the Bonn conventions do not fundamentally increase freedom of action for West Germany as alleged by the Government. "Considerable parts of the occupation law remain in force. The reunification clause prevents West Germany from taking steps by herself to achieve the reunification of the country."

(AP, Reuter)

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HIGHLIGHTS

PARIS, Monday (AP). — Here are the highlights of the news in Europe today:

In Bonn, Foreign Ministers of the U.S., Britain and France signed a peace contract with the West German Republic and welcomed their former enemy as "a new partner in the fight for peace and freedom."

In Paris, the Big Three Foreign Ministers — Mr. Dean Acheson, Mr. Anthony Eden, and M. Robert Schuman — arrived to confer on Russia's latest note on the future of Germany, and to take part in tomorrow's signing of the European Army Treaty by the Ministers of France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.

In Berlin, Western Allied Commanders published a declaration broadening the city's independence but keeping it under Allied occupation.

In Paris, the Government ordered all police to crack down hard on any Communist demonstrations against General Matthew Ridgway's arrival tomorrow to succeed General Dwight Eisenhower as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe.

In Strasbourg, the Council of Europe elected M. Francois de Menthon (France), as President of its consultative Assembly.

In Paris, the 14-nation Council of NATO approved the agreements to be signed tomorrow creating a Mutual Assistance Pact between the NATO nations and the European Defence Community.

French Fears Calmed By U.S. Guarantees

PARIS, Monday (AP)—France has been given new assurances by the U.S. that no German troops will be recruited before the German Peace Contract and European Army treaties have been ratified, official sources reported today.

The U.S. has also promised to keep troops in Europe "as long as the situation requires," the same sources said.

The U.S. guarantees followed a last-minute hesitancy on the part of France to signing the Peace Contract at Bonn this morning. It is expected that they will be officially announced in Paris tomorrow on the eve of important new conversations by Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Foreign Minister Robert Schuman.

The Schuman-Acheson talks will start on Wednesday. Both will arrive here tomorrow afternoon for the official signing ceremonies for the European Defence Community.

Van Zeeland Hails Coming E.D.C. Treaty

STRASSBOURG, Monday (Reuter). — Belgian Foreign Minister Paul van Zeeland told the Council of Europe today that the day the European Defence Community begins to function "will be a red-letter day both for the future of Europe and for the defence of peace."

The six-nation committee treaty is due to be singed tomorrow.

Mr. van Zeeland has submitted to the Lower House of the Council a report and message of the Council of Ministers Upper House. He said the political consequences of the treaty may one day seal the destinies of Europe and hailed as "a vast experiment without parallel in history" the Schuman coal-steel pool treaty.

Gen. Harding Named British Chief of Staff

LONDON, Monday (AP) — General Sir John Harding, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army of the Rhine was today appointed Chief of the British Imperial General Staff the War Office announced.

Gen. Harding, who succeeds Field Marshal Sir William Slim, will take up the position on November 1.

Joint Manoeuvres

VALETTA, Monday (AP). — Warships from four NATO countries — the U.S., France, Italy and Greece — which had assembled at Malta over the week-end, sailed today in company with British mine-sweeper flotillas for large-scale minelaying and mine-sweeping exercises in the Mediterranean under the direction of the Commander of the U.S. sixth fleet.

SUCCESS BREEDS COMPETITION

This is true not only in public life but even where cigarettes are concerned. When "Knesset" first appeared on the market, thousands of smokers found in it the ideal oriental cigarette, suited to their taste — round, full and mild.

It is therefore not surprising that other brands now try to imitate "Knesset" and to match its taste and shape. Those who prefer "Knesset" however know that this is a cigarette which might perhaps be imitated but never matched.

(Advt.)

Sharett on Intensive U.S. Tour for U.J.A. and Bonds

By Jesse Zel Lourie, POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Monday. — Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett will sit down for talks with United Jewish Appeal and Bond drive leaders only after completion of his tour of the country on behalf the U.J.A. and Bond drive, he indicated in talks with the press in Philadelphia. He is making luncheon and dinner speeches here today for the U.J.A.

Tomorrow he will proceed to South Bend, Indiana, and on Wednesday to Youngstown, Ohio, both for the Bonds. After the Shavuot interval in New York, when he will probably initiate informal conversations with the leaders of both groups, he will sell bonds in Miami, Cleveland and possibly Chicago, returning to New York for both the U.J.A. and Bond rallies on June 10 and 11 respectively. Then he will proceed to the West Coast and back to Boston for the Bonds, arriving back in New York on June 18.

These tours of big and middle-size cities will give him first-hand knowledge of the problem as encountered on the local level where friction occurs. The friction cannot be blamed on lack of coordination on the local level, according to Mr. Harry Lurie, Executive Director of the Welfare Fund Council, who denied today that Mr. Ben Gurion's statement in the Knesset, as reported in *The Jerusalem Post* of May 21, that local welfare funds have disregarded recommendations of national bodies on coordination, thus causing disputes.

The exact opposite is the case, Mr. Lurie said. Local coordinating bodies have worked well. The friction occurred when national organizations disregarded the rulings of the local coordinator and came into the community against their recommendations.

Mr. Lurie added that the Welfare Fund invited the U.J.A. and Bond drive to meet with their National Committee last month. The U.J.A. accepted but the Bond drive refused. Bond drive officials were unavailable today for comment.

KNESSET QUESTION ON LOST RATION BOOKS

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Dov Joseph, said in the Knesset yesterday that 15,000 persons swore that they had lost 45,000 clothing points books. "This proved that there are people who are not deterred by sworn statements from using illicit means," he added.

The Minister was replying to a question by Mr. Ezra Ichilov (General Zionist) who had asked why it took the Ministry months to replace lost ration books. He said that the number of points issued must bear relation to available supplies and the Government therefore could not issue 45,000 books. The "lost" books were obviously in some-one's possession, he remarked.

Dr. Joseph rejected Mr. Ichilov's charge that his Ministry treated the public discourteously and that the records of the office were in disorder.

BILL TO ABOLISH SOME GOV'T IMMUNITY

If you are hit by a Government or army vehicle, you'll be able to sue the Government for damages, according to a measure which passed its first reading in the Knesset yesterday. Under the present law, the Government is immune from suits for civil damages.

The new measure, introduced by the Minister of Justice, Dr. Dov Joseph, abolishes Government immunity with regard to vicarious liability which makes an employer liable for damages caused by employees.

With regard to other civil damages, the situation remains unchanged and the Government is still immune.

Dr. Joseph said, in his introduction of the measure, that the Government had in fact made ex gratia payments to claimants in certain cases upon recommendations of inter-ministerial committees.

DECLARATION BROADENS BERLIN INDEPENDENCE

BERLIN, Monday. (AP). — The Western Allied Kommandatura made public today a new declaration on Berlin which broadens the city's independence but keeps it under Allied occupation.

The declaration, a revision of West Berlin's "little occupation statute," becomes effective when the peace contract between West Germany and the Western Allies goes into force. It requires no ratification since it is an Allied declaration to an occupied city.

The declaration said the Allies will "normally" exercise powers only in the following fields:

1. Security interests and immunity of Allied forces.
2. Disarmament and demilitarization, including related fields of scientific research, civil aviation and prohibitions and restrictions in industry in relation to the foregoing.
3. In the relations of Berlin with authorities abroad. The Kommandatura, however, will permit Berlin authorities to ensure the representation abroad of the interests of Berlin and of its inhabitants by suitable arrangements.
4. Satisfaction of occupation costs, which will be fixed after consultation with the appropriate German authorities and at the lowest level consistent with maintaining the security of Berlin and of the Allied forces located there.
5. Authority over the Berlin police to the extent necessary to ensure the security of Berlin.

Senate Opens Major Debate on Aid Bill

WASHINGTON, Monday (AP). — The Senate today opened a momentous debate on the Foreign Aid Bill with Senator Tom Connally declaring that "a policy of timidity is the prelude to disaster."

The House has cut its Foreign Aid Bill to $8,162m. and a group in the Senate seeks to cut its bill at least to that figure.

Amendments Pass First Reading

Legislative amendments, ranging from mere technicalities to the rectification of the territorial limits, passed their first reading in the Knesset yesterday when amendments to the Interpretations Ordinance were sent to the Legislation Committee by a 36 to 23 vote.

Introduced by the Minister of Justice, Dr. Dov Joseph, the provisions of the amendments are:

1. The territorial waters shall be extended from three miles to six;
2. Wherever a law refers to a Cabinet Minister, the implication should also be that it applies as well to the Prime Minister;
3. Wherever the law refers to women the application shall also be to men (hitherto the Ordinance had said only that subpoenas in the male gender should apply also to females);
4. References to "or" shall mean "and/or";
5. References from one number to another shall be inclusive;
6. Authorities who grant licences may rescind them;
7. Ministers may delegate powers to subordinates.

Many of these amendments, Dr. Joseph explained, were designed mainly to remove legal doubts.

Some objections were raised in the debate against taking far-reaching measures in such a roundabout manner. But Dr. Joseph answered that this was beside the point. He said in effect that if members felt that the Interpretations Ordinance was undesirable, they could take action to repeal it, but as long as it was on the statute books the necessary amendments should be made.

Syrian Dictators To Visit Turkey in June

Reports from Ankara state that Syria's dictator Colonel Adib Shishakly together with Colonel Fawzi Selo, are to visit Turkey in the very near future, ANA reported yesterday from Istanbul. An official Syrian delegation is expected in Ankara at the beginning of next month to prepare the necessary details for this visit.

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Social & Personal

Dr. Selman A. Waksman, Professor of Microbiology at Rutgers University, New Jersey, and Mrs. Waksman, were the luncheon guests of the Hebrew University yesterday. Among those present were Dr. D.W. Senator, the Executive Vice-President, and Professor Moshe Schwabe, Rector of the University. This evening, at 8.30, Prof. Waksman will deliver the second of a series of three lectures on Microbiology, in English, (under the Auspices of the Hebrew University), at the Rutenberg Building, Hall 71. Microbiologists are invited.

Mr. W. Blandford, head of the UNRWA in Jordan, arrived in Israel via Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem yesterday afternoon for a short visit. General W. Riley, Chief of the U.N. Observer Staff, accompanied him.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Happy Pinched Institute in Jerusalem, and Mrs. Goldstein are in Israel for a several months' visit.

Mr. Theodore Shapiro, leading American paint manufacturer and a prominent figure in the Independence Road Drive in New York, is now visiting in Israel.

Mr. Robert Stephens, of the "Observer," London, has arrived in Jerusalem for a short stay.

Miss Esther Baksha, a former Israel Army officer of Haifa, is to receive the diploma of the Manhattan School of Music in New York this semester.

Miss Sylvia Ansara and Mrs. Rebecca Barth, members of the staff of the Israel Independence Road Drive in New York, are now visiting in Israel.

On the occasion of the Italian National Holiday on June 2, the Italian Consul in Jerusalem will be At Home to the Italian Colony from 6.30 to 9 p.m. at the Consulate-General (Katamon).

A meeting to mark the 10th anniversary of the establishment of local units of the A.T.S. and W.A.A.F., will be held at the Hakirya Gardens, Tel Aviv, at 5 o'clock this afternoon. All former members of the two services are invited.

Mr. Harold J. Goldenberg, Israel Chairman of the Independence Road Drive, and Director of the Investment Centre, is to be host to American visitors at the first Tuesday B.I.G. Luncheon Club meeting at the Israel Touring Club, Talbieh, Jerusalem at 1 o'clock today. The guest speaker at the informal luncheon is to be Mr. Yochanan Bekman, Secretary General of the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. A.B. Horwitz, C.E., M.A.I.P., M.I.T.E., Chief City Planner, Cleveland, Ohio, and Town Planning Adviser to the Municipality of Tel Aviv, will lecture (in English), at the Technion on "Opportunities for Rebuilding A City" tomorrow, May 28, at 5 p.m. in Hall 20.

WARNING STRIKE AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY

A 24-hour warning strike was staged yesterday by more than a hundred laboratory assistants at the Hebrew University in protest against the refusal of the University authorities to raise their salaries.

The University pointed out that a Government communication had been received ordering them not to make any salary revisions until a standardized wage system was established at all institutions receiving Government funds.

ARAB NOTABLE DEAD

The death occurred in the Old City on Sunday afternoon of Mohammed Yunis Husseini, 45, after a short illness. He was a former secretary of the Jerusalem Municipality, and a former manager of the Arab National Bank.

Attempts were made on his life in 1945 and 1947, probably by political opponents of the Husseini faction.

The funeral took place on Monday morning when prayers were read over the coffin at the Haram e-Sharif.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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HAIFA: Habrom, 55 Herzl, 4063. Anglo-American, 79 Allenby, 3505. Kiryat Motzkin: Motzkin 7202.

Searching the Mountain Tops For New Settlement Points

POST Labour Correspondent

"I saw Italian peasants climbing a mountain slope just to tend a single olive-tree which grew at the top," said the fruit tree expert. And one of the younger instructors replied, "But can you do the same with immigrants from Yemen and Kurdistan who know nothing about fruit-trees and care less?" The economist who had joined the group added "And what about the standard of living? Will our immigrants be satisfied with the life of the Italian peasant?

They sat together on a mountain top almost 900 metres above the sea and contemplated the magnificent panorama which opened at their feet and swept away to the faintly painted line of the coast. It was a lonely spot near the frontier, formerly settled only by Arabs who tilled the scraps of soil between the mountains, watched over their flocks of sheep, built primitive terraces into the hills to avoid erosion and were content to live on the produce of their meagre land.

Villages Established

Some work villages and settlements have now been established in this frontier-region. The inhabitants have been kept busy making roads and planting trees, but long-range plans are being laid out for these communities. The planting-expert, a girl who studied in Italy, and two instructors of the Jewish Agency, both formerly members of kibbutzim, tour the neighbourhood, notebook, maps and pencil in hand, to gather the facts about soil, water and roads. At one point they detect a small valley fit for peaches; at the other a mountain slope which should yield good table grapes; at a third the very place for plum-raising. But fitting all the parts of these plans into an understandable and logical whole is like a difficult picture puzzle. Even if all the technical difficulties can be overcome there remains the overriding question: will the settlers be able to carry the plan out? Will they stick to it? Can they be trained? What sort of livelihood will the trees afford?

The group on the mountain-top search the primitive terraces beneath them for signs of former cultivation. For more than four years nothing has been done in this place. The olive trees are untended and can be tended only by the wooden plough which is adapted to steep slopes and stones. The grapes are neglected. The small fields which yielded a meagre harvest of wheat or oats to the man who sowed by hand and cut with a sickle are overgrown with weeds.

The eye of the fruit expert sees the terraces covered with orchards. But how will the villagers get to this lonely spot? It would never pay to build a road down there. So why not give them some donkeys to take themselves and their food and tools down in the morning and bring them home in the evening? The instructors shake their heads doubtfully. The newcomer soon learns that a neighbouring settlement which has part of its soil down in the plain gets a tractor and other machines. He will clamour for a tractor too although it will not help him where he lives. He does not trust the donkey and does not care about fruit trees. He does not, in fact, care much for this lonely life up in the mountains.

It can be argued that we should be content to turn these mountains into forests. We would then keep people up-there during the first years only to assure the trees' survival. But there are strategic reasons for settlements up there. And there are places which have good soil and can be planted with badly-needed fruit trees. If we can teach the immigrants to understand this sort of work and to love this sort of life, we should open up new possibilities.

The economist interrupts the technical discussion about plums and grapes with an inquiry as to the costs. He does not get an answer. We are unable to state as yet what it will cost to settle a family in the hills until they are able to extract their livelihood from the stony ground. The cost will, of course, be very high. If we take into account all the expenses for preparation of the soil, freeing the slopes of stones, erection of terraces, installation for water, at least for drinking and later perhaps for the irrigation of certain tracts. In some places, experts say, the preparation of land costs as much as 60 pounds a dunam. But then we are in many instances unable to make a genuine calculation of production costs in agriculture. Perhaps we shall be forced to detract from them the lump-sum for development and be content if the settlers are able to live off their soil after five or six years.

There remains the awkward question of the standard of living. Will the immigrants be content to live like Italian peasants? Not if they can do something more lucrative. For unlike other peasants they are not attached to the soil, they have no instinctive feeling for plant or beast. One of the instructors puts the case bluntly: they will stay only if they must, if they have to live off the soil, if otherwise they will starve.

There is a special attraction about these wide and stony slopes. But to make them pay is back-breaking work which will be accomplished only under hard pressure.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Israel Must Decide Line of Policy Toward Independent Germany

"Less than seven years after the end of World War II Germany has again been given her sovereignty" says "Ha-tzofe" (Mizrahi) commenting on the signing of the treaty in Bonn. We are now facing a new independent Germany, and both the State of Israel and the representatives of world Jewry should decide upon a line of policy to cover any time we may have to deal with a German issue or meet German representatives.

"Hakol" (Agudat Israel) also sharply criticizes the agreement giving Western Germany almost full freedom, while "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) says that the Western powers have in fact rejected the Soviet note (for creating an independent German state and army). Germany has again become the avant-garde of anti-Communism in the world, but its anti-Communism is a mere cloak for its other crimes.

"Ma'ariv," the afternoon paper, carried the banner headline: "Freedom has been granted to the Land of Murderers." In a black-framed front page editorial, Dr. Azriel Carlebach called the signing "A Black Day," a day of mourning for all Jews. "We should lower the flag of victory which we raised seven years ago to half mast," he said. World War II has ended in victory for Hitlerism, and the start of World War III is only a question of time, he said.

Kaplan's Successor

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) says that there are not enough candidates for the post of Minister of Finance, as Mapai lacks capable leaders in the fifth year of Israel independence. Dr. Joseph has been heading two ministries for some time and has not enough time for the Ministry of Justice. Something should be done to change this, regardless of whether or not Dr. Joseph retains his position as Minister of Commerce and Industry. The paper says that the law allows the appointment of someone who is a member neither of Mapai nor of the Knesset. However, if all the other economic Ministries remain in the hands of Mapai, an independent man would not be able to carry out the necessary deflationary policy. "Ha'aretz" says in conclusion that a radical change is needed to restore the basis of credit which Mapai does not enjoy.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) attacks "Davar" for the allegedly misleading picture of the situation in Ein Harod given in the paper's editorial. "Al Hamishmar" says that Mapai has only a very slight majority in Ein Harod, and that it was decided that in such cases the existing settlements should be divided. Mapam had to insist, moreover, that there would be no minority exodus in this case because Ein Harod is the "Homeland of the Kibbutz" and many central institutions are situated there. Mapai attempted, however, to thwart all such decisions concerning Ein Harod, though they have no right to inherit the whole settlement and are not even able to do so. The paper says that the only solution is the division of Ein Harod at the earliest possible date.

Kibbutz Form Criticized

"Herut" draws a different conclusion from this affair. Life has become a "hell" in Ein Harod but this is perhaps less the fault of Mapai or Mapam than of the form of the Kibbutz, which is incompatible with human nature. Though it might take much time, the other Kibbutzim should learn the obvious lesson and accept a different organizational form and way of life. There is no guarantee whatsoever that this sort of thing will not happen again in the "pure" Kibbutzim of Mapai and Mapam which have come into existence following the present split.

The balance of the "points bank" has been published. "Davar" (Histadrut) calls this a major achievement of the policy of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. It shows that the Government has honoured its pledges to the trade and replenished stocks (such as textiles and shoes) according to the number of points received from the shops.

Central Command Beat Air Force in Cup Match

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Central Command won the Chief of Staff's Football Cup when they beat the Air Force by four goals to nil at an Army camp in this area today. Among the thousands who watched the match were the Chief of Staff, Rav Aluf Yigael Yadin; the Ministers of Britain, France, the Argentine, Yugoslavia, Uruguay and Bulgaria, the Polish Consul-General, as well as the Military Attaches of the U.S., Britain and France.

The match was preceded by a parade in which the two teams, accompanied by flag-bearing Army units, marched onto the field. When the Chief of Staff arrived the Army and Chief of Staff's ensigns were raised as four Air Force fighters flew overhead.

The ball was kicked off by Rav Aluf Yadin, at a signal from the referee, Seren Max Schneider. The standard of play throughout the match was not high, and both sides appeared nervous and lacking in technique.

The Air Force team attacked hard but could not pass through the defending backs of the Central Command. In the 22nd minute of the first half Tarika, Central Command's inside left, took a pass and headed the ball in from 12 metres. Nine minutes later Tarika took a pass from centre forward Hershkowitz and put the ball in again.

The third goal was scored in the 19th minute by Hershkowitz, while the last goal of the match was scored three minutes before the end of the first half by the Central Command's inside right, Cohen.

Throughout the scoreless second half the Air Force tried to rally but could not make the grade. In the last minute of the match Seregin, Air Force centre half, took a penalty kick but failed to score.

The Chief of Staff's Cup was presented to the Captain of the Central Command team by Rav Aluf Yadin, who also presented medallions to all players of both teams and to the referee.

During the interval between the match the finals of the Army tug-o'war were played, with the Air Force defeating the Training Command by two pulls to nil. The tug-o'war Cup was presented by the Chief of the Training Command.

The Chief of Staff also presented a cup to a parachute unit, which had showed the smartest appearance at the Tel Aviv Independence Day parade. He said that presenting a reward for smartness did not mean that the Army forgot for a moment that a soldier was trained in battle. The Army was, therefore, putting the stress on training, he said.

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ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 407 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 41.9, 31.1 & 522 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.59, 12.00, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 10.30 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8.30 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 11.20 Military Bands (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.02 Programme for Hospitals (R). 12.30 At the Opera (R). 1.05 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Music (R). 4.45 Variety (R). 5.15 Agricultural Corner. 5.30 Language Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.04 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Voice, Instrument & Orchestra (R). 7.35 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: S. Mishori. 10.30 Requests (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

460, 238, 317, 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.45 p.m. French: 2.45 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Chamber Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.30 Science Studio. 6.00 Story. 6.00 The Working Woman. 6.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour: (35.9, 47.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m.; Ladino: 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

Kol Zion Legolah: (31.3 M.): 11.15 Newsreel. 11.30 "Five Weeks in Israel," by Stephen Spender. The Bible & Music.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.92 & 30.53): 7.30 p.m. News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Israelis at Work. 7.55 Book Review.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Examples to the History of Music. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Literary Corner. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.45 Sketch. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programmes: 9-9.30 p.m. (16, 25 & 31 M.): "Fighters & Dreamers" — I. Nadava Interviews Alexander Kerensky.

MORE PILGRIMS VISIT ISRAEL

A sharp increase in the number of pilgrims who have visited Israel has been noted by the Christian Affairs Division of the Ministry for Religious Affairs in Jerusalem.

Five hundred entered during April and a similar number is expected this month, bringing the total for this period to the peak last reached in 1935. These two months are usually the busiest, it was pointed out.

It was also noted that for the first time a group of pilgrims were granted permission by the Jordan authorities, a fortnight ago, to cross the lines to Israel, then to return to Jordan.

U.S. Jewry's Help Needed for Decade

NEW YORK, Monday (INA). — U.S. Jewry must be prepared to carry the burden of assistance to Israel for the next decade, Congressman Jacob Javitz declared here today at the 16th Annual Convention of the Yeshiva University Synagogue Council.

He outlined four principal tasks for U.S. Jews: aid for resettlement, development and earliest possible achievement of economic stability; for the influx of refugees from North Africa and Eastern Europe; permanent resettlement of Palestine Arab refugees; support of Israel's economy in such a manner as to make it the basis for future regional economic cooperation in the Near East.

KNESSET

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this Knesset meeting as a mark of protest?

The tactic adopted by the praesidium obviated a political debate which would probably have gone into the whole range of issues between the East and the West.

The Knesset resolution of January 10, 1951, which Mr. Mintz read to the House, said:

"The First Knesset expresses the alarm of the people of Israel over the refusal to readmit the German people to the family of nations the same Germany which destroyed 6,000,000 of our people in cold blood, with planned deliberation and diabolical brutality, without remorse to this day.

"The Knesset protests vigorously against the gradual rearmament of Eastern and Western Germany and particularly against the trend now discerned to form separate German military units.

"The Knesset appeals to the nations of the world, and first of all to those nations who were victims of German crimes in this generation, to fulfil their obligations to humanity and to the Jewish people and to implement the total demilitarization of Germany, the punishment of Nazi war criminals and to prevent the granting of arms and other weapons of destruction to the German people, both in the East and the West; weapons that may be turned to threaten the peace of the world in the future as in the past.

"The Knesset resolves to transmit this appeal to the United Nations Organization and to the Houses of Parliament of all the people of the world."

Looking up from his notes, Mr. Mintz said: "This appeal was sent not to the peoples of the world. As there was no response from the East nor the West . . ."

Dr. Haspan Rubin (Mapam) interpolated: "That's not true!" Aside from that interruption, the demonstration passed off in an orderly fashion.

At the Cinema

IN William Dieterle's "The Accused" (Zion, Jerusalem) Loretta Young plays a professor of psychology, who kills one of her students in self-defence. Lieutenant Wendell Corey is sent to investigate and suspects the lovely professor Young. She is befriended by Robert Cummings, the dead student's guardian, who later falls in love with her. The detective, too, grows very fond of his suspect. Finally she is arrested and charged with murder. At her trial she is found not guilty, however, and thus free to marry Mr. Cummings.

Sous Les Tois de Paris

From the revival of the 15-year-old film classic, "Seventh Heaven" (Orion, Jerusalem) one sees that Hollywood once knew how to catch that unique Paris-Montmartre atmosphere. Two fascinating young people Chico (James Stewart) and Diane (Simone Simon) are the highlights of the cast. A very fine picture. *FRANGO*

Jerusalem Cinemas

7.15 & 9.15 p.m.
ARNON: Mask of the Avenger.
EDEN: Night into Morning.
EDISON: Our Very Own.
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STUDIO: L'Ange de la Nuit.
ZION: The Accused.

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Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

8-4: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Romema, Bus 15. Feeding time: 2-3 p.m.
9-1; 3-6: Exhibitions: Works of art recently acquired in Italy. Recently acquired objects of Persian Jewish Art. "Also: Exhibition of the occasion of the 150th Anniversary of the Legion d'Honneur.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition: Dept. of Antiquities: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-1; 4-7: Exhibition of photographs of the First National Photographic Competition. Also exhibition of paintings by the visiting artist, Mazo Nordau. Artists House.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30: Film Shows of Israel: Keren Hayesod Head Office.

★ TEL AVIV ★

19-4: 1) Sculptures by Hanna Orloff; 2) Paintings by Marcel Yankel; 3) Ancient Coins from Eretz-Yisrael towns. Museum.
8.30: "Li-La-Lo News." — Li-La-Lo Theatre; Jascha Heifetz Hall.
8.30: "Queen of Sheba" Chamber Theatre Mograbi Hall.

★ HAIFA ★

8-5.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue.

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Sde Boker	37	14	30	25
Makhtesh	40	20	28	21
Tel Aviv Port	32	20	23	21
Lydda Airport	37	20	27	23
Jerusalem	33	15	22	15
Jericho	40	—	36	29

FORECAST: Fair.

(A) Monday at 5 p.m. (B) Minimum temp. (C) Maximum yesterday. (D) Maximum temperature today.

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Six bales of Indian silk were thrown away by Rehovot smugglers when they were discovered in the Negev on Sunday night. The smugglers escaped but the goods were confiscated.

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Thieves attempting to break into the Belgian Consulate in Tel Aviv yesterday were frightened off and escaped.

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Caught picking the pockets of Ya'acov Shmorak in a Dan bus in Jaffa yesterday, Yechiel Pen, 27, returned the IL.180 he had allegedly stolen but claimed that another IL.50 which Shmorak claimed was missing from his pocket, had been removed by a friend of his who escaped.

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A IL.20 fine for careless driving was imposed on Mr. Walter Williams, Director of the British Palestine Bank, by the Jerusalem District Court yesterday. Mr. Williams had driven into a bus while approaching the King David Hotel in Jerusalem in February.

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The annual convention of supervisors of the various educational trends will open at the Central Education Hall, 6 Rehov Ralaza, Tel Aviv at 9.30 tomorrow morning. Representatives of all Parents' Councils of all schools in Jerusalem will meet in the Ahuzeved School, opposite the Edra Hotel in Jerusalem next Sunday evening at eight.

Shitreet Calls on Citizens To Help the Police

The prime function of the policeman remains the apprehension of law-breakers and bringing them to justice, Police Minister Behor Shitreet said last night in a Kol Yisrael broadcast. But circumstances, especially in Israel, have drawn the policeman into a variety of other activities — like flood relief, anti-infiltration efforts, conciliation of family quarrels, hunting for stray children and maintaining order at public celebrations — the performance of which occupies a significant part of his time.

Stressing the difficulty which a young police force faces a young with a multilingual, multi-cultured people coming from many countries and many police traditions, Mr. Shitreet called on the public to regard the policeman as someone working for its welfare and to extend a helping hand to the constable in the fulfilment of his duties.

The changing face of cities and neighbourhoods under the impact of a dynamic immigration robs the Israel police of the major asset of all police forces in settled countries — familiarity with each neighbourhood, its institutions, residents and suspicious characters, he said.

Smolenskin Funeral Tomorrow in Jerusalem

The coffin with the remains of Peretz Smolenskin will be brought to Jerusalem on Wednesday following an all-day funeral procession through the three main cities. At 8 a.m. the coffin will be taken to the Municipal Square in Haifa where Mayor Abba Khoushy will address the public. The ceremonies in Tel Aviv are to begin at 11:30 a.m. with a memorial at the Municipal Square at Rehov Bialik where Mayor Israel Rokach and Mr. D. Shimoby of the Writers Union will speak.

The procession is to reach Jerusalem at 3 p.m. when Professor Benzion Dinaburg, Minister of Education and Culture, will address the public at the Ministry's offices in Rehov Hanevi'im. Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, Knesset Speaker and Acting President, will address the procession at the Jewish Agency courtyard in Jerusalem at 4 p.m. Mr. A. Eliashar, Acting Mayor of Jerusalem, will speak in the name of the town, when the remains are to be brought to their final resting place in Jerusalem at 5:30 p.m.

Ration News

JERUSALEM: Tomatoes: 250 grams. Yod 40, temporary, 39, zone 9. Cucumbers: 250 grams. Kaf 47, temporary, 38, zones 1, 4. Potatoes: 2 kg. Yod 44, temporary, 38, zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11. Meat: 100 grams. Gimel 5, temporary, 44. Tomato sauce: 100 grams. Aleph cards, no coupon. Biscuits: 150 grams, no coupon, temporary, 18. Flour: 500 grams. Tet 32, temporary, 22. Rations for physical labourers: 250 grams, coupons 54 or 58.

TEL AVIV: Cucumbers: 250 grams. Kaf 15, all issues. Tomatoes: 250 grams. Yod 40, temporary, 39. Fish: 150 grams carp, 100 grams fillet, Mem 15, temporary, 40. Rations for ill persons: Rations, 100 grams. Het Aleph 2, Het Gimel 4, Het Gimel 21. Eggs: 3, Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 9, 4, Het Gimel 21; Poultry, 500 grams. Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 7; Tomatoes, 500 grams. Het Aleph 3 and 4, Het Bet 7 and 8, Het Gimel 15 and 16, zones 1, 2. Poultry for expectant mothers: 1 kg., old card. Yet, Yod, new cards, 9, 10.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs: 2, Zayin 10, temporary, 10. Fish: 250 grams, Mem 15, temporary, 50. Tomatoes 250 grams. Yod 40, temporary, 38. Cucumbers 250 grams. Kaf 47, temporary, 44. Nathayra. Kaf 44, temporary, 48. Butter: Aleph cards, 250 grams. Bet, Gimel cards, 100 grams. Tet 42, Petah Tikva and Rishon de Zionists. Poultry: 250 grams. Aleph, Bet, Gimel, cards. Lamed 24, temporary, 41. Poultry for ill persons: 500 grams. Het Aleph 5 and 6.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Poultry: 250 grams. Aleph, Bet, Gimel cards. Lamed 14, temporary, 40. Fish: 250 grams, Mem 15, temporary, 21. Potatoes: 2 kg., Yod 44, temporary, 32. Bananas: 1 kg., Aleph cards. 250 grams. Bet, Gimel, Dalet, Heh cards. Yod 28, temporary, 38.

N.E.P. Affects El Al Bookings

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM)—The new exchange rates had had an adverse effect on the Israel travelling public, with a drop in the number of local El Al bookings, Mr. Arye L. Pincus, Managing Director of the Israel Airline, told the press here this morning.

But bookings from abroad were good, Mr. Pincus said, with 1,500 passengers already booked to Israel by El Al during the coming season. The El Al manager complained that many Government officials, and even Ministers, still travelled by other air lines. He pointed out that the Queen of the Netherlands, even a day after two K.L.M. crashes, had insisted on travelling by her national airline.

Had it not been for the existence of El Al, this country would have been almost completely cut off from the outside world, as far as air routes were concerned, in the present cut-back of flights due to fuel restrictions, Mr. Pincus said.

(El Al was the only airline to use Lydda Airport yesterday (Monday), usually one of the busiest days of the week, following the cancellation of services by B.O.A.C., Air France, T.W.A., and K.L.M. Three El Al planes left Israel yesterday for Nicosia, Athens, Rome, Vienna and Johannesburg. A Sabena plane is due in tonight).

Speaking of the airline's difficulties, Mr. Pincus said that El Al had always suffered from lack of capital, and only recently had the Minister of Communications brought before the Cabinet the necessity of helping the company. The management was trying to obtain funds by long-term loans and by investments from the U.S., Britain, and Europe.

El Al has succeeded in obtaining a $1.5m. loan from the Chase National Bank in New York, at 5.5 per cent, to be repaid at the rate of $100,000 a month. The Government has agreed to pay half the monthly sum for a year, and when the loan is repaid El Al will repay the Government. The Chase Bank had granted the loan after their air expert had investigated El Al and found it had great potentialities.

Fourth Constellation

The company is buying a fourth Constellation, with a supply of replacement parts, for $1.2m., and is selling its last D.C.4 Skymaster, till now used for freight carrying, for between 500,000 and 550,000 dollars. In order to compete with other international airlines during the coming years, the Israel airline will need large sums to renew its equipment, and would try to obtain funds from the second U.S. grant-in-aid.

The aircraft maintenance base, to be built at Lydda during the coming year, would belong to the Government. El Al's present maintenance shops and personnel would become part of the new base, in exchange for shares, but El Al would keep a small maintenance and inspection shop in the present hangars to check on work done at the big base before flights. The establishment of the Government base would do much to help the company financially as it will decrease the foreign currency expenditure of the airline.

During the coming month, the company will obtain seven reserve engines, with another five to follow from the Chase loan. These 12 engines will be held in reserve at the main stations abroad, ready for service when required, and will thus cut down delays in the scheduled service, as engines could be replaced in a matter of hours when needed.

Shareholders in El Al are: the Government, 51 per cent; Zim, 25 per cent; Histadrut, Jewish Agency, 12.5 per cent; Histadrut, 5 per cent; and 6.5 per cent not yet taken up.

ISRAEL—SWISS AIR PACT SIGNED

The first agreement between Israel and Switzerland was signed at a dinner party in Lydda yesterday evening, when the El Al and Swissair companies agreed on financial arrangements and air route rights. Mr. Otto Seifert, the Swiss Minister, signed for his country, and Mr. Moshe Bartur, Acting Director of the Economic Division of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, represented Israel.

Under the agreement, El Al will now be permitted to embark passengers for Zurich at Athens and Paris, and not only directly from Lydda to Zurich, as was the case prior to the agreement.

The three-man Swiss delegation which was in Israel for a week, left for Switzerland yesterday.

Arabs Charge Israel Soldiers with Killings

"A-Diffa," the Old City daily, yesterday charged that Israel soldiers attacked Imwas village, near Latrun, and killed three Arabs. Fire was also opened on Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission and U.N. delegates who were called to the scene, the paper charges.

The paper also alleges that other attacks were carried out against Yalu and Katana villages, near the Jerusalem Corridor. An Arab was seriously injured at Yalu village, the paper reports.

Allegations that Kufein village, in the Jordan Triangle, was attacked last week by Israel soldiers were neither confirmed nor denied by the U.N. or the Israel MAC, who said no complaint has been lodged.

Over 20 Arabs, who were arrested in the last two days for attempting to harvest crops in Israel are to be tried in Jordan for infiltration, "A-Diffa" reports.

Helen Keller Visits The Village of the Blind

KFAR URIEL, Monday. — "There is a warm glow in my heart as I stand before you, who are working to create a new commonwealth," Miss Helen Keller, the world-famous deaf and blind worker for the rights of the disabled, said this morning when she visited Malben's Kfar Uriel — the village of the blind.

Miss Keller said that she objected to the village being called "The Blind Village" and was delighted to hear that Malben and the villagers themselves had decided, some months ago, to name the village Kfar Uriel — "The Light of God."

Miss Keller addressed village and Malben leaders and pressmen in a low and barely audible voice, her words being repeated aloud by her companion, Miss Polly Thomson. Miss Keller smelt and touched the flowers offered her, identifying them by two of the three senses left her.

The guest said that Israel was fighting to achieve an ideal of peace, education, cooperation, work and service by all for all, which had long served as an ideal of the Jews. This had been her ideal also, in her work on behalf of the handicapped of the world. If one part of society suffers, the rest suffers, she said, noting that the capable blind had a right to work so as not to be a burden on others.

Dr. B. Pliskin, Medical Director of Malben, explaining the change of name of the village, said Kfar Uriel was intended to be a village like any other in Israel, giving its inhabitants a sense of dignity and purpose.

Welcoming Miss Keller and her companion, Dr. Nissim Hagel, the blind leader of the village, who lost his sight while fighting in World War II, described Miss Keller as "the best friend of the blind." "This is a great day for us" he said. "In our difficult moments we think often of you, and take you as our example. Your way of life has taught us our road. You are not our guest, but our sister, our friend."

Established two years ago, Kfar Uriel now numbers 84 families of 430 souls. The head of each family, either father or mother, is blind, and in seven of the families both father and mother are blind. All the children are healthy with normal sight. A blind Yemenite couple, who married in the village and had been advised not to have children, had a perfectly healthy baby a few months ago.

Special Workshops

Dr. Hagel said that all blind persons in the village were employed in special workshops, established by Malben, where they make over 1,000 mattresses a week, as well as brushes, brooms, wicker baskets, stools, armchairs, woven raffia mats and carpet beaters. All goods are sold on the civilian market at a special shop in Tel Aviv and through agents in Jerusalem and Haifa. All earn a minimum of IL.2 a day, working on piece rates, while most earn IL.2.500 daily from the workshops with another IL.1 a day from the sale of vegetables from the one-dunam plots around their Austrian prefabricated houses.

After her welcome in the Cultural Hall of the village, Miss Keller visited the WIZO kindergarten, where she greeted the youngsters with "shalom" and was presented with a bunch of flowers. The children sang songs to her; she beat time to the tune with her hand, picking up the rhythm by holding her fingers to the throat of one of the youngsters. She later toured the houses and the workshops, where she "studied" the equipment and looms by passing her hands over the brush-making gear and the looms for weaving coloured raffia mats.

About two-thirds of the residents of Kfar Uriel are immigrants from Middle East and North African countries, who, before coming to Israel, had never worked but had subsisted by begging.

Scientists Differ In Chloromycetine Case

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Dr. J. Ehrlich, head of the Microbiological Department of Parke Davies and the discoverer of Chloromycetine, said that he had developed the drug in artificial laboratory conditions after two years of experimenting. He was testifying at the District Court here today for the claimants, the Parke Davies American Drug Company, which is suing the "Abic" company of Ramat Gan for infringement of patent rights in their production of Synthomycetine, which is another trade name for the same drug.

Dr. Ehrlich said that Chloromycetine did not exist in nature since he had carried out experiments with soil which had contained the bacteria from which the drug was extracted, but had failed to obtain Chloromycetine by normal chemical processes.

Earlier Dr. L. Zeller, head of the patent department of the Italian drug company "Lepetit," under whose technical instruction "Abic" is producing its drug, claimed that the micro-organisms from which the drug was derived were found in Venezuela, the U.S., and Japan as well as in other places. Therefore, he asserted, it was a natural product to which anyone could have access.

Dr. N. Visconti, Assistant Professor in Microbiology at New York University, testifying for the defence, said that from a biological point of view there existed natural conditions for the development of the bacteria in question and that the drug should therefore be considered as pre-existent in nature.

The suit has aroused interest among scientists the world over, and particularly among chemists, since it is a unique case. The judgment will form a principle which will help chemists determine whether the antibiotic drugs they are developing can be patented.

Toddlers Bring "Bikkurim"

Over a thousand children, mostly four and five-year olds, brought their first-fruits to the Keren Kayemet Head Office yesterday afternoon, where they filled the court-yard of the National Institutions and made an enviable impression on hordes of youngsters outside.

Garlanded and clad in white, small delegates from each kindergarten in turn presented baskets of flowers and vegetables with a filled Blue-box enthroned in the midst.

Bands of girl dancers enacted a playlet gracefully, but owing to poor organization, few of the children themselves were able to see anything of the performance intended for them.

Mr. Laber, of the JNF Teachers' Council which annually arranges the ceremony, thanked the bringers of 'bikkurim', who naturally became restive after an hour of standing and being buffetted.

The Jerusalem Police Band successfully drowned the children's singing and the cries of tots who had lost their nurses.

3rd THEFT FROM WIZO BABY CENTRE

BEERSHEBA, Monday. — Thieves who broke into the WIZO baby centre in the *ma'abara* here last night, for the third time in the past few months, made off with a large quantity of new blankets, ..., children's clothing including underwear, shoes and socks, toys, nine kilos of margarine and a wall clock, together valued at over IL.1,000. The goods had all recently been received from the U.S. and Finland.

Neighbours questioned by the police today said they had heard a suspicious noise at about 1 o'clock in the morning but had not investigated.

The theft is believed to have been carried out by persons with some knowledge of the institution, as only the cupboards containing new goods had been touched. Police today carried out an intensive search of the new town and the *ma'abara*, and are continuing their investigations.

Anti-Typhoid Campaign 'Discouraging'

POST Reporter

The results of the nation-wide anti-typhoid campaign are so far "discouraging," a Ministry of Health spokesman reported yesterday in Jerusalem, adding that a meeting of district health officers would be held tomorrow in Hadera to discuss the problem.

Although no exact figures are as yet available, the spokesman said, the public has not been responding to the degree expected.

Another point of the agenda at tomorrow's meeting will be the scheduled transfer of a large number of child care centres to the Ministry's jurisdiction. These include 104 Hadassah centres, two for Arabs and possibly some of the 150 Kupat Holim points. The 33 Hadassah centres in Jerusalem and the Corridor and the 18 run by the Tel Aviv Municipality will not be taken over by the Ministry.

This step constitutes one of the first points in the Government programme to coordinate the country's health facilities and to avoid duplication of effort by the various organizations engaged in medical activity. The move has been opposed by some of the groups on the grounds that it might result in the loss of their freedom of action.

Haifa Adopts Monthly Budget

HAIFA, Monday. — The Town Council tonight adopted a temporary budget for June on the basis of a 40 per cent addition to the monthly sum of last year's budget. After bitter Communist and General Zionist criticism, the Council decided to instruct the Administration to present the annual budget for discussion by the end of the month.

The Communist member, Mrs. C. Iram, said that the town's hospitalization position was critical, nothing has been done to implement the decision to enlarge the Municipal Hospital, and clinics were overcrowded with not enough room even to isolate sufferers from contagious diseases. The temporary monthly budget could only be a stop gap, and may make proper and vital planning impossible. "If the Mayor would spend less time in New York and more in Jerusalem urging the speedy completion of the change in the Tax Assessment Law, we could bring town planning down to earth," she said.

Mr. Z. Zimmerman (General Zionist), supported a "concrete suggestion from wherever it comes," and also demanded an annual budget. He said that residents must be told how their money was being used. The present monthly taxing was unlawful, and nothing could be done if any resident refused to pay such tax. He demanded that the annual budget be presented soon, to allow proper planning and work.

Progressive and Mapai members thought that although a stop must be put to monthly budgeting, the Council had no alternative but to continue for the moment. The Government had promised a new Tax Assessment Law, but if this did not materialize by the end of June, an annual budget should be adopted in any case. The Administration had no ulterior motive for continuing monthly budgeting which was the product of necessity; neither had other towns yet adopted annual budgets.

Ramat Gan Sues The Competent Authority

A Ramat Gan school building, loaned to underground forces before the establishment of the State, allegedly on the condition that it be returned immediately after the cessation of hostilities, was the subject of an order nisi issued yesterday by the High Court against the Competent Authority. The Authority will have to show cause why it should not cease considering the building confiscated.

Mr. A. Krinitzi, Mayor of Ramat Gan, stated that the request for the building had come from Mr. D. Ben Gurion, then Chairman of the Jewish Agency. The applicant said that it was made clear that the arrangement caused the Municipality inconvenience and would have to be terminated at the earliest opportunity. Negotiations were later started to sell the building to the Ministry of Defence, but in spite of protracted dealings, the Ministry had no sincere intention of concluding the purchase, it was maintained.

The Municipality then approached the Tel Aviv District Court to obtain an order of eviction against the Army. Documents were submitted by the Ministry of Defence, however, to show that the building had been confiscated in the meantime.

The applicant asserts that the document was produced solely to prevent the District Court from continuing to hear the case and therefore constituted interference with judicial proceedings. Furthermore it is argued that the law does not permit the confiscation of a school building belonging to one public authority for the benefit of another.

Egg Ration Cut To Two a Week

Housewives will find one egg less in their food baskets for the next six weeks, a Ministry of Commerce and Industry spokesman indicated in Jerusalem yesterday. The two-egg ration goes into effect this week but the Ministry is studying alternative sources of protein to make up for the lost egg-protein in the nation's diet.

Attributing the reduction to the seasonal decline in laying and the cut in the fodder supply to poultry farms — especially protein-rich fish flour — the spokesman pointed to Ministry efforts to increase the supply of protein fodder.

In reply to a question about the Foreign Ministry spokesman's statement on Sunday that the wheat imported from Turkey earlier this year was not even fit for chicken fodder, the spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry reiterated his statement of May 19 that, on the advice of Ministry experts, the flour had in fact been used in bread, in combination with 80 per cent of superior flour. He emphasized that the original Ministry announcement was designed to explain to the public the lower bread quality and not as a complaint against the Turkish state firm which sold the wheat.

The trade agreement worked out with Uruguay, which provided for the export to Israel of 20,000 tons of meat, had required approval of the credit arrangements by the Uruguayan Parliament. In reply to a question, the spokesman stated that the parliamentary approval had not been forthcoming. In the wake of renewed negotiations, however, a sample shipment of Uruguayan mutton has already arrived.

Police Remove Campers From Outside J.A. Building

Police yesterday forcibly removed the three families of immigrants from Iraq who had camped outside the Jewish Agency building in Jerusalem since Sunday morning.

The group, numbering 13 persons of which seven are very young children, were moved to an empty field opposite the building where they had spent Sunday night. Yesterday morning they again moved on to the sidewalk adjoining the main entrance and were asked to leave by the police.

When they refused, more police were summoned and began moving the beds and other belongings that were piled on the sidewalk. The three women put up most of the resistance, refusing to move, thrusting their infants at the police and shouting catcalls.

The families refuse to accept accommodation at Manahat (Malha) or at the Kastel *ma'bara* after being evicted from Jewish-owned shops in the Old Commercial quarter. They demand quarters more centrally located in the city.

Families of prisoners in the Tel Mond Central Prison, in Jaffa, Haifa and Brixen, will be allowed a special Shavuot holiday visit to the prisoners from 9-11 and 2-4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

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IL.10,000 Damage In Citrus Grove Fire

REHOVOT, Monday—A fire, believed to have been started by unknown persons playing with matches, this morning destroyed 20 dunams of citrus groves, causing IL.10,000-worth of damage.

The grove, vested in the Custodian of Abandoned Property, is situated between Lydda and Ramle.

Bezalel Robbery Was Carefully Planned-Police

The robbery of the gold art treasures from the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem last week was carefully planned and carried out, Jerusalem police stated yesterday. It seems the thieves were only interested in those particular gold antiques, which are valued at IL.25,000, since they will bring a high price abroad, it was said.

The treasures have not yet been smuggled abroad, according to private information reaching the police.

All Jerusalem goldsmiths, who were interrogated at length, were told that their cooperation would be greater if an item outlined down as gold.

Descriptions of persons who visited the museum in the days preceding the robbery are in police hands, and a country-wide search for them is being conducted. Many of the persons arrested in Jerusalem fit the descriptions, and they are being interrogated as to their whereabouts on the night of the robbery.

Military Governor Hurt in Car Accident

NAZARETH, Monday (ITIM). — The Military Governor of Galilee, Sgan Aluf Na'aman Stavi, was injured when his car overturned on the way home from the Druze village of Irkа, in the Acre area, yesterday. He was taken to a military hospital in an Army car which was escorting him. His condition is not serious.

Sgan Aluf Stavi's aide, who was with him at the time, managed to jump clear and escape injury.

The delegation of the Women's League for Israel now visiting here is from the U.S. and not from Britain as reported in error yesterday.

Cables in Brief

INSURANCE.—The Institute of London Underwriters put the shipping insurance rates in the Suez Canal up by 100 per cent yesterday. The new rates, which are due to expire next year, will affect ships on Egyptian passages and reduced from 7 shillings 6 pence per $100 to 1 dollar.

AWARD.—General Matthew Ridgway, NATO Commander, was awarded a U.N. Korean Service Medal in New York yesterday.

PACIFIC.—A Pacific security pact between Australia, New Zealand and the U.S., and its effect on Communist relations will be the chief subject of discussions between American Prime Minister Robert G. Menzies, and British officials in his 16-day visit to London.

ADIRI VILLA INVESTIGATED

HAIFA, Monday. — Police here today confirmed that they have opened an investigation into the purchase of a villa on Mt. Carmel by the assistant Port Manager, Mr. D. Adiri, last January.

The investigation began two weeks ago. The police have already questioned several estate agents about the sale and purchase of the villa and have taken statements from them. Besides the Police, two other Government bodies, the State Comptroller's Office and the Civil Service Commissioner are investigating the matter.

FINED FOR ILLICIT FLOUR DEAL

Shalom Slotkin, 28, of the "Ugit" cooperative, a candy factory, was fined IL.200, with the alternative of three months in prison, in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday for having bought eight sacks of flour without permission, in December last year. Shlomo Cohen, 44, was fined IL.25, with the alternative of one month in prison for the sale of the flour.

The cooperative was given a severe warning.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD

Mrs. Hellena Shimmer, 54, was found dead in her bed in her apartment in Rehov Shmuel Hanavi in Jerusalem, by her mother, 76, when the latter came to visit her on Saturday.

The body was taken to Avihail Government Hospital where an investigation was opened into the circumstances surrounding her death.

Mrs. Shimmer leaves a son, at present in the United States.

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RESTRICTIONS IN THE USE OF ELECTRICITY

The Corporation is compelled to introduce the following changes for current restrictions as published in the press and enforced as from May 5, 1952, and until further notice.

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C. Boilers (Laundry and Baths) etc.	From 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
D. Refrigerators, Radio Sets, Washing Machines (without heating elements) Vacuum Cleaners and Electric Therapy Appliances	No Restrictions
2. OFFICES and SHOPS: Electric kettles and tea or coffee urns	From 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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6. INDUSTRIES: (except Fridays and Saturdays)	From 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

On every week-day factories situated North of Jaffa Road may only work from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (6 days weekly).

Those situated South of Jaffa Road may only work from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 1.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. (5 days weekly).

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Blower Motors of ½ h.p. can be used between 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.	
8. PASTRIES: Electric Baking Stoves	From 1 p.m. to 11 p.m.
9. LAUNDRIES (incl. Automat. Laundries and Cleaners):	As under "Industries" but prohibited to use any electricity from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. except for blower-motor for steam-generators.

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BLACK DAY

THE restoration of sovereignty to a German government was marked yesterday by the solemn protest of Israel's supreme body — its Knesset. It is a sad fact, however, that little has changed in the German outlook since their defeat and occupation seven years ago. They are being aided and restored to fuller political and military power purely from the motives of short-sighted expediency; their rapid return to favour, far from helping the process of genuine penitence and transformation, inhibits it.

The vicious attack by Minister of Finance Schaeffer on two of his colleagues who had the honour to resign because they found their government's duplicity morally repugnant is all too typical. Anti-semitism, militarism, and *revanche* are hardly weaker than before. Whatever may be the final outcome of the peace contract, it represents a defeat for democratic sentiment and one step towards repeating the tragedy of the inter-war years.

The gentlemen in Bonn who signed the contract have no cause to congratulate themselves. The least that they could do now is to disgorge some of the loot they stole from European Jewry, lest the victim suffer further while the guilty flourish.

FAITHFUL SERVICE

FEW men can have kept the keys to the Treasury of a State, or a near-State, as long as Mr. Eliezer Kaplan who has now announced his resignation after two decades of devoted and conscientious service. In fact, his connection with the conduct of Zionist affairs dates back to 1920, the year of his arrival in the country. His inclusion in the first Cabinet of Israel as Minister of Finance was a foregone conclusion just as it was taken for granted that Moshe Sharett would be Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Just over 60, Mr. Kaplan is not likely to retire from public life altogether, and we shall soon hear in what capacity he will continue to serve the State. If he uses the interval and his spare time in a less strenuous office for the writing of his reminiscences, we may expect one of the most revealing and authoritative source books of Zionist history and — unlike some others — one not tainted by personal vanity; for his work as director of finances and fiscal policy reflects more than anything else the revolution that has so completely changed the face of the Movement and the country.

Even if account is taken of the shrinking value of money, it seems almost incredible today that ten years ago Mr. Kaplan presented to the Jewish Agency Executive what he termed a "record budget," totalling in ordinary and extraordinary expenditure the then fantastic amount of I.P.1,152,000; or that in the first three years of the second world war, expenditure totalled I.P.2,337,000. Such figures and the IL.168 million of the current State budget are landmarks in a career that was characterized, if not by imagination then by a spirit of sober and realistic analysis.

Like his predecessor, Z. Van Vriesland, Eliezer Kaplan has been opposed to heroics in financial operations, and this may to a certain extent explain why, in the end, the strain became too great. For his was, after all, not a chief accountant's job. In his key position, he had a decisive word in all questions of the economy and development: from immigration, settlement and public works to taxation, loans, labour policy and foreign trade — a series of tasks that became infinitely more complicated and difficult under the controlled economy of the State.

It is no reflection on Eliezer Kaplan's personality to say that he is not the Gladstonian type of a Chancellor of the Exchequer, though in common with the "grand old man" he always did too much himself. He had great moments, too; in his two-hour budget speech, for instance, in December last, which culminated in his postulate so to conduct our fiscal policy that, from 1957 to 1960, the country should gradually become independent of foreign aid. And no better legacy could he have left to his successor, and indeed to the whole nation, than the few words he said the day after the proclamation of the New Economic Policy: "We have to work better, produce more, and adapt our consumption to production."

Turkey Seeks Arab Goodwill

By ROBERT STEPHENS

ANKARA, May 24, (OFNS). — Turkey intends to continue its efforts to extend its military and political links with Non-NATO neighbours, and her projected creation of a free port at Alexandretta is one step towards this rapprochement, Prof. Fuad Koprulu, Turkish Foreign Minister, told me in an interview here today.

Prof. Koprulu emphasized Turkey's interest in the closest possible friendly relations with the Arab states as well as with Greece.

Turkey had the greatest sympathy for the Arab States, said Professor Koprulu, and believed that there was no conflict of interest between them. She wished for closer relations with the Arab countries on the basis of mutual respect for the rights and interests of each party. Efforts in this direction had already brought results which without being spectacular were appreciable. Further results would be achieved as a more peaceful state of mind came about in the Middle East.

As part of this policy, Turkey is seriously studying the possibility of creating a free port at Alexandretta (as reported by cable). This project, said Professor Koprulu, would be of the greatest use not only to Turkey, but for the Middle East as a whole. (The loss of Alexandretta, formerly part of Syria and ceded to Turkey together with the surrounding province by the French Mandatory Government of Syria in 1938, has been a severe economic handicap to Syria and a past source of friction in Turkish-Syrian relations. The creation of a free port there would greatly stimulate the economic development of northern Syria and Iraq, which are potentially the richest areas of the Arab States.)

"In so far as the military organization of the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East enters into the framework of NATO," said Professor Koprulu, "Turkey's participation will be decided in the form of an overall plan worked out in accordance with NATO's general strategy. For that part of the organization lying outside the limits of NATO, Turkey will continue to explore means of collaboration with the interested powers while always keeping in mind her NATO commitments. The idea of the creation of a Middle East Command, which Turkey sincerely shares, is a typical example in this repect."

P.M. RECEIVES DOCTORATE OF HEBREW LETTERS

Professor Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, hands the Seminary's Honorary Doctorate of Hebrew Letters to the Prime Minister at a ceremony in Jerusalem on Sunday. Behind Mr. Ben Gurion are his three sponsors, Prof. Brayton Discoe, Prof. Alexander Marx and Prof. Moshe Schwabe. At rear from left to right are Mr. Moshe Shapiro, Prof. Ringer, Mr. Haim Greenberg, Mr. Yitzhak Ben Zvi, Mrs. Ben Gurion and Mrs. Fritz Rosenstein. Photo by Braun

New Star on U.K. Socialist Horizon

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM
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LONDON.—

THE recent foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons was interesting for several reasons, not the least being that it produced a clash between Mr. Eden and Mr. Bevan. These two now stand out as the leading figures in their respective parties after Mr. Churchill and Mr. Attlee step aside.

They embody quite well the collective personalities they are supposed to represent: Mr. Eden, genteel and well-tailored, tends rather to strangle himself with his Old School Tie. Mr. Bevan, shock-haired and curiously boyish—both men are 54 — exhibits a low boiling-point and a flair for colourful rhetoric. When he lifts himself from his seat "above the gangway," i.e. on the back-benches, the House fills up, and necks begin to crane on the public gallery.

Sometimes he rises to the occasion, sometimes he flops. On the last occasion he flopped, but even so he managed to strike out some vigorous phrases. The House is never bored when he is on his feet, whatever it may think of his opinion. But he is not invariably successful.

House Impressed

One reason he fell a little flat on the last occasion when making his case for "peace talks" with Russia was that Members had just been listening to an uncommonly brilliant maiden speech by the new Labour Member for South Leeds, Mr. Denis Healey — until lately International Secretary at Transport House, i.e. in charge of relations with the Socialist International and with Labour's foreign policy. As a rule, maiden speeches are an even worse bore than the ordinary run of parliamentary orations, but Mr. Healey was different. At 35 he is master of his subject, and his parliamentary manner is impeccable. A resonant voice and youthful good looks help a lot. Add intelligence and fluency, and the effect is considerable. When after 20 minutes he sat down, there was a murmur of admiration, and Brigadier Fitzroy Maclean (a Tory who headed the British military mission with Tito's partisans during the war) congratulated the new Member on a most unusual maiden speech. He added, rather maliciously, that the clever backroom-boy who used to write his leaders' speeches had now come forward to recite them in person.

Everyone laughed, for the authorship of "Cards on the Table," "European Unity," and other official Labour Party statements on foreign affairs has long been an open secret. But the backroom-boy is now being taken seriously as a budding candidate for high office. He looks very much like Labour's next Foreign Under-Secretary.

It is not without significance that the speech which so enthralled the House deviated considerably from the official line laid down by Mr. Attlee earlier in the debate. Mr. Attlee had made a seemingly dull and uninformative speech which was in fact an extremely able essay in papering over the cracks in Labour's unity facade. The National Executive of the Labour Party (which includes the trade union bosses) had just come out with a statement opposing German rearmament and urging another conference with the Russians. When Mr. Attlee rose, everyone was on tenterhooks to hear whether he would change course in mid-stream or stick to his old line. He did neither. Instead he suggested that German rearmament had become less urgent — and sat down without having committed himself to anything.

German Unity

What the new boy said, amid intense silence on both sides of the House with Mr. Eden carefully following every word, was that the Western Powers were losing the cold war in Germany because German nationalism was beginning to turn against them. It was turning against them because the Germans suspected that the Western Powers were luke-warm about German unity, preferring to rearm the truncated Federal Republic. The Germans did not absolutely refuse to rearm, but they put national unity first. It was necessary to show them that the West was willing to risk an all-German election, even if it led to the setting up of a neutral German Government. Instead, they were being given the impression that Russia was much keener on German unity than were the Western Powers.

This was absurd, for German unity could only harm Russia and benefit the West. The fault was with the Americans, for having made German rearmament the top priority, instead of placing German unity first. "In the panic after Korea" the Western Powers had got off on the wrong foot. It was time now to undo the mistake. There should be a genuine attempt to talk sense with the Russians, and the Germans should be told that if they wished to unite the two halves of their country, and to remain disarmed and neutral, that was all right with NATO. They should not be forced to rearm against their wishes: and 99 per cent of all Germans did not wish to be rearmed by anybody.

The signing of the European Defence Community treaty, said Mr. Healey, might be a good thing — provided it was not ratified. While the parliaments were debating it (and both the Germans and the French would probably reject it, or at least emasculate it), an attempt should be made to find out what was Russia's real price for free elections and German unity. If the Russians seemed ready to let free elections take place in their zone, on condition that EDC was not ratified, the West should agree. France would in any case sabotage EDC, even if it was ratified, and Germany would be a much more reliable ally if she felt that the Western Powers were genuinely concerned with German unity, and not just with getting the celebrated 12 German divisions.

It says something for the House of Commons that this extraordinarily sensible and cool-headed speech was listened to with close attention. It cut right across all the familiar factional viewpoints, being solely concerned with reality, as seen by an expert, the most statesmanlike speech of the whole debate. Aneurin Bevan's flow of vituperation came as something of an anti-climax.

Readers' Letters

DUSTBINS WITHOUT LIDS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—As most people know, flies are the enemies of both cleanliness and health. Dirt facilitates breeding and it is therefore difficult to understand why we should give them every chance of multiplying in all the garbage and dustbins in Jerusalem. Surely some way could be found to prevent the lids from being stolen. People should give this matter serious attention before it gets much hotter.

Yours etc.,
JUDITH HOROWITZ
CHAVA MINDEN

Shaare Zedek Hospital,
Jerusalem, May 22.

SEAFARING YOUTH

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As the mother of Michael Lehmann whose sailboat with eight other youngsters capsized last Saturday I would like to express my thanks to the soldiers in the Army Camp, the "Magen David Adom" and the Municipality of Nathanya for their kind assistance.

I would also like to draw the attention of the public to the fact that the "Zevulun Club," whose aims it is to encourage seafaring among our youth, is not taking sufficient precautions for their safety. On Independence Day my son's boat overturned during a sudden squall, and he was very nearly drowned, not to speak of the belongings he lost which were worth about IL.100. This is the second time that he and his friends' lives have been endangered.

Where are the responsible authorities to check weather conditions and send help when the weather changes for the worse? Yours etc.,
ILSE KAINER (LEHMANN)

Bat Yam, May 18.

SIMPLE SYSTEM

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — May I bring to the attention of our authorities the fact that during World War II Syria had a very simple system for saving fuel. On the odd days of the month cars with odd numbers could be driven, whereas on the even days, cars with even numbers were allowed on the roads. Couldn't this simple procedure, saving 50 per cent fuel, be introduced in this country for private cars, etc.

Yours, etc.,
A. D.

Tel Aviv, May 23.

S.A. Clash Over Union Leader

JOHANNESBURG, Monday. — Fifty-six persons were injured yesterday when police charged a 12,000-strong mob which gathered in front of the City Hall to protest the arrest of Solly Sachs, Secretary of the South African Garment Workers Union.

He was released from jail tonight and will appear in court tomorrow on charges of violating the anti-Communist law which Prime Minister Malan invoked in order to crack down on anti-Malan leaders.

Durban trade unionists yesterday called on the British Trades Union Congress to organize an international boycott of South Africa "as a reprisal against interference in the trades union movement" by the South African Government.

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JERUSALEM ART NOTES

Story of Stolen Tiara

A "TIARA" was mentioned, as the most intriguing item among the golden bric-a-brac stolen last week from the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem. This tiara, however, is hardly bigger than a thimble, fitting the head of an Emperor of Lilliput only. The weight of the tiny coronet must be negligible. Still, as a document of the most gigantic hoax in the History of Art, it is unique. The tiara, stolen in Jerusalem, was nothing other than the working model for the famous "Tiara of Saitaphernes"!

In 1898 a conical golden tiara, given, according to its inscription, by the Greek cities of the Crimea to the Persian Satrap Saitaphernes, was offered to the Louvre. Treasures of Greek silverwork, found in the Crimea, had aroused lively interest in the archaeology of the Greek colonies in the Pontus Euxinus. This masterpiece, offered to Paris, threatened the supremacy of St. Petersburg's Eremitage Museum. The tiara was alleged to come from the world-famous Spitzer Collection. No less than half a million gold-francs was asked for it, a quite fantastic price in those days. The Louvre's coffers were empty, but Jacob Reinach, curator of antiquities, advanced the sum from his own purse in order to secure this marvel for France.

Forgery Alleged

The Crown of Saitaphernes became a Mecca for international art pilgrims. Then Clermont Ganneau entered the scene. This great archaeologist and apostle of the truth, then French Consul General in Jerusalem, had just tracked down the forger Shapiro, proving that a MS. of Deuteronomy, which Shapiro was attempting to sell to the British Museum, was a forgery. In so doing, Clermont Ganneau exposed the majority of contemporary Semitologists to ridicule. Now he threw down the gauntlet to the classical archaeologists in declaring the Tiara of Saitaphernes a forgery!

A veritable storm of indignation arose. The leading newspapers took sides. Then an unexpected witness came to Clermont Ganneau's help. A Frenchman, who manufactured shoe-polish in Odessa, while on a visit to his native land had gone to see the sensational exhibit. He declared firmly that the much disputed Tiara came from the same workshop which turned out the dies for his boot-polish tins. He himself had seen the tiara being fashioned by a simple metalworker, Israel Rukhomsky of Odessa.

Worked in Jail

Rukhomsky was immediately arrested and brought to St. Petersburg. There the French Embassy took him over and sent him to Paris. In all innocence the Jewish craftsman confessed the crown to have been his handwork. An art dealer from Otshakova, the centre of Greek finds in Southern Russia, had ordered it and had also supplied the drawings. The pattern as well as the model were in his workshop in Odessa. Reinach, on behalf of the archaeologists, and Lalique, speaking for the artists, declared Rukhomsky to be a swindler. No man alive could have produced such a masterpiece.

Greatly insulted, Rukhomsky asked for his own primitive tools from his workshop. He went into voluntary retirement and, under strictest supervision, turned out another piece more beautiful than the first, even superior to the tiara. He produced his models and drawings and there was no more room for doubt. Saitaphernes' tiara was banished to one of the Louvre's secluded stores. Rukhomsky, whose honour had been fully vindicated, became the most sought-after goldsmith in Paris and died at a ripe old age after the first World War.

Typical of Period

The model of the tiara and a number of Rukhomsky's independent creations were given by his son to the Bezalel Museum. Rukhomsky's own designs were rather dry, but beautifully executed. The tiara, to our eyes, looks exactly what it is, namely a lovely work of the *fin de siecle*, conceived in a free classicist style. Such successful forgeries are extremely interesting for the history of art appreciation. They show exactly how one epoch viewed another one. Thus for its time, Rukhomsky's tiara was far more "Greek" than Greek originals, exactly as Dossena's "Simone Martinis" fully corresponded to the ideas the Thirties had of the Duecento, and as Van Megeren's works were the comble of Dutch Art for Marshal Goering and his experts. It would be a real loss if the tiny tiara ends up in a melting pot.

Th. F. M.

Abroad

An exhibition of oil and water-colour paintings by Israel artists was held recently in Philadelphia. Twenty of the paintings have been reproduced in miniature and are being sold framed, or in sets. Proceeds go towards obtaining materials for Israel artists. The exhibition was organized by Rabbi J. G. Brenner of Philadelphia who visited Israel last year. Six of the paintings were reproduced in full colour in last month's edition of "The Philadelphia Inquirer" magazine.

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